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REMARKS

Entry of this amendment for purposes of appeal is requested. Applicants intend to appeal

this application. In reviewing the claims, several housekeeping points were noted with respect to

several dependent claims. The numeral (50) is deleted from claim 6. Claim 18 is canceled and

therefore the dependency of claim 19 is amended accordingly. Claim 25 is canceled. Claims 21,

29, and 33-36 delete language that is unnecessary in light of earlier amendments made to their

respective independent claims.

None of these amendments raises new issues or requires further search. They also reduce

the issues for appeal. Accordingly, entry is proper. An early notice to that effect is earnestly

solicited.

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